

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
FEBRUARY 19, 2014**

A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

Call to Order. Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call.

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm called the roll.

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Council members:	
Gregory Schnarr	Present
David Prechtel	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Earl Schmitt	Present
Kevin Manley	Present
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Absent
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. Six of the seven council members were in attendance which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Students. Two Forest Park High School students were in attendance as part of their government class.

JCAC. Jasper Community Arts Commission member Sherry Monesmith attended the meeting on behalf of the Board.

Approval of the Minutes.

The following minutes were distributed to and examined by the Council:

1. January 22, 2014 regular common council meeting
2. January 20, 2014 special meeting

A **motion** was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to approve the two sets of minutes as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Utility Service Board. General Manager of Utilities Gerald ‘Bud’ Hauersperger gave a report on the regular monthly Utility Service Board meeting held on February 17, 2014. Copies of the minutes are supplied to each council member.

Board appointment. Mayor Seitz said Jasper Community Arts Commission member Kara Bodle is moving out of town, therefore, the council needs to appoint a replacement to serve on that board for the remainder of her term.

A motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to appoint Kyle Rupert to serve on the Jasper Community Arts Commission. Motion carried 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-2 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEY FOR THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

This ordinance appropriates additional funds for 2014 in the EDIT Fund, General Fund, and Redevelopment-General Fund.

A notice to taxpayers appeared in the Herald on February 8, 2014. Mayor Seitz asked for comments from the public regarding this Ordinance. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member David Prechtel to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to read the ordinance by title only. Motion carried 6-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Gregory Schnarr to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2014-2. Motion carried 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-3 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 8 OF ORDINANCE NO. 546, ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A UNIFORM CODE FOR TRUCK TRAFFIC UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA—TRUCK ROUTES AND LOAD LIMITS AND SETTING FORTH TRUCK LOAD LIMITS AND STREET RESTRICTIONS FOR THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA

This ordinance repeals Chapter 9.32 Truck Routes and Load Limits and replaces it with Chapter 9.33 Truck Load Limits and Street Restrictions.

A motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to read the ordinance by title

only. Motion carried 6-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2014-3. Motion carried 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-4 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2013-28 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE AFFIXING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THE CIVIL CITY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, FOR THE YEAR 2014

This ordinance amends the 2014 civil city salary ordinance to add the Assistant Director of Golf position and compensation to the Park Department.

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member David Prechtel to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to read the ordinance by title only. Motion carried 6-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2014-4. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution No. 2014-3 A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA IN OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 101 AND HOUSE BILL 1001 CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION AT THE STATE LEGISLATURE

This resolution opposes any proposal to eliminate any or all portions of the Business Personal Property Tax without a corresponding replacement revenue stream.

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to consider the resolution for one reading only. Motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to read the resolution by title only. Motion carried 6-0. The city attorney so read the resolution. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Kevin Manley and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2014-3. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution No. 2014-4 A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA TO SUPPORT PROJECT FINANCING TO BE PROVIDED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DOWNTOWN AND RIVERFRONT MASTER PLAN ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION NO. 2013-9

Mayor Seitz said this resolution ties into the Stellar Communities Program letter of interest.

A motion was made by Council member Earl Schmitt and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to consider the resolution for one reading only. Motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Gregory Schnarr to read the resolution by title only. Motion carried 6-0. The city attorney so read the resolution. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2014-4. Motion carried 6-0.

Land sale-15th and Newton. Mayor Seitz said at a previous meeting the council adopted a resolution to sell the land at 15th and Newton Streets to an adjacent landowner. City Attorney Renee Kabrick said the area is less than .08 acre and the county records indicated the value is about \$5,200. The City can add its selling expenses to that value which makes it \$5,622.73. An offer was sent to the abutting landowners. The City received one response to our offer to sell this property. It was from Dennis Sendelweck who provided a counter-offer in the amount of \$3,700.00. Kabrick said the City is at liberty to negotiate and can offer a counter-offer.

A motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member David Prechtel to give the attorney the authority to negotiate with Dennis Sendelweck with a counter-offer and authorize her to accept the counter-offer price of \$3,700. Motion carried 6-0.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 6-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 19th day of March, 2014.

Mayor Terry Seitz
Presiding Officer

Attest: _____
Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer